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1. The main building of a group of laboratories of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR is located on the south side of Pekhotnaya ulitsa, Moscow, just east of the intersection of Pekhotnaya and Bodraya ulitsy (see Point #3 on sketch of the area, page 4). It is a well-constructed and imposing three-or four-story building with columns at the entrance. The building faces north on Pekhotnaya ulitsa. 50X1-HUM
2. [] an undetermined number of low single-story laboratory buildings in the area occupied by the main building. These laboratory buildings are located in an irregular pattern. Although the area is enclosed by a wooden fence about three meters high, which makes visibility difficult, tall chimneys extending above the roofs of these low buildings are visible. 50X1-HUM
3. [] no new construction in progress in the area; however, there may have been some deep within the compound, beyond vision. 50X1-HUM
4. [] no military guards in the area. However, there are patrolling militiamen walking up and down the streets which bound the residential area occupied by German scientists (Point #4 on the sketch). There are also militia posts at the corners and a traffic policeman at the intersection of Bodraya and Pekhotnaya ulitsy. Entrance to the main building is by pass only. [] civilian guards collect individual number tags in addition to checking passes. 50X1-HUM
5. [] a considerable number of employees entering the building at 0800 hours. [] no information on the nature of the activity within the area. 50X1-HUM
6. The residential area occupied by German scientists is located on the north side of Pekhotnaya ulitsa, in the area bounded by Bodraya ulitsa, Yuzhnyy prospekt, and Krasnogorskiy #4 pereulok. This area is surrounded by a fence. [] no information on the number of inhabitants. 50X1-HUM

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7. Just east of the Moscow River, there is a large medical research station in gorodok VIEM (Point #1 on the sketch).¹ The installation is enclosed by a fence. The fence, running in the direction of the Moscow Canal, is about one kilometer long, and the whole compound is about 300 meters deep. The entire area appears to be built up.
8. Experiments are done on animals, mostly rabbits and dogs, at this medical research station. The odor in the area is very strong and resembles the unpleasant odor of decomposing flesh. It is popularly referred to as the "soul killer" (dushe gubka). [redacted] the installation is under the Ministry of Health and that research is conducted on the nervous system in one section and, possibly, on cancer and tuberculosis in other sections [redacted] not [redacted] experiments with gases or biological warfare agents are conducted here. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
9. The following is a key to the sketch of the area appearing on page 4 :
 1. Medical research station.
 2. Military housing compound. During World War II, a number of barrack-type, two-and three-story buildings were erected here for military personnel. As of late spring 1954, a great number of officers who work in the various military staffs in Moscow are housed here. In addition, a number of retired colonels and their families as well as war widows and their families are permitted to reside here. Thus, [redacted] it can be considered only a semi-military installation. 50X1-HUM
 3. Academy of Sciences laboratories.
 4. Residential area for German scientists.
 5. Rest home for officers of the Moscow Military District.
 6. Garage for military vehicles.
 7. Supply dump for materiel belonging to the Moscow Military District.
 8. Barracks housing a military unit.
 9. Tank factory. The only prominent building in the area is a red brick building about three stories high. The other buildings in the area were groups of low factory shop buildings. Many employees in coveralls [redacted] in the area. [redacted] an office or workshop in this compound could have the designation 14a, since this number was not observed on any of the other buildings along Peschanaya ulitsa. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
 10. Military school.
 11. Naval political school. This school is believed to train political officers for the Soviet Navy. The length and nature of the course is unknown [redacted] the address of the school is Peschanaya ulitsa No. 37. 50X1-HUM
 12. Unoccupied area which was formerly used by a tank division stationed there during World War II.
 13. Streetcar line No. 6.
 14. Streetcar line No. 21, runs along Tsentralnaya ulitsa.
 15. Bus route No. 20 from Sokol subway station to VIEM.

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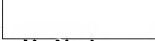
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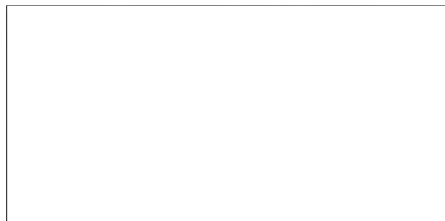
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16. Serebryanyy Bor Railroad Station.

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1  Comment: This may refer to the All-Union Institute of Experimental Medicine, from which the area could derive its name.

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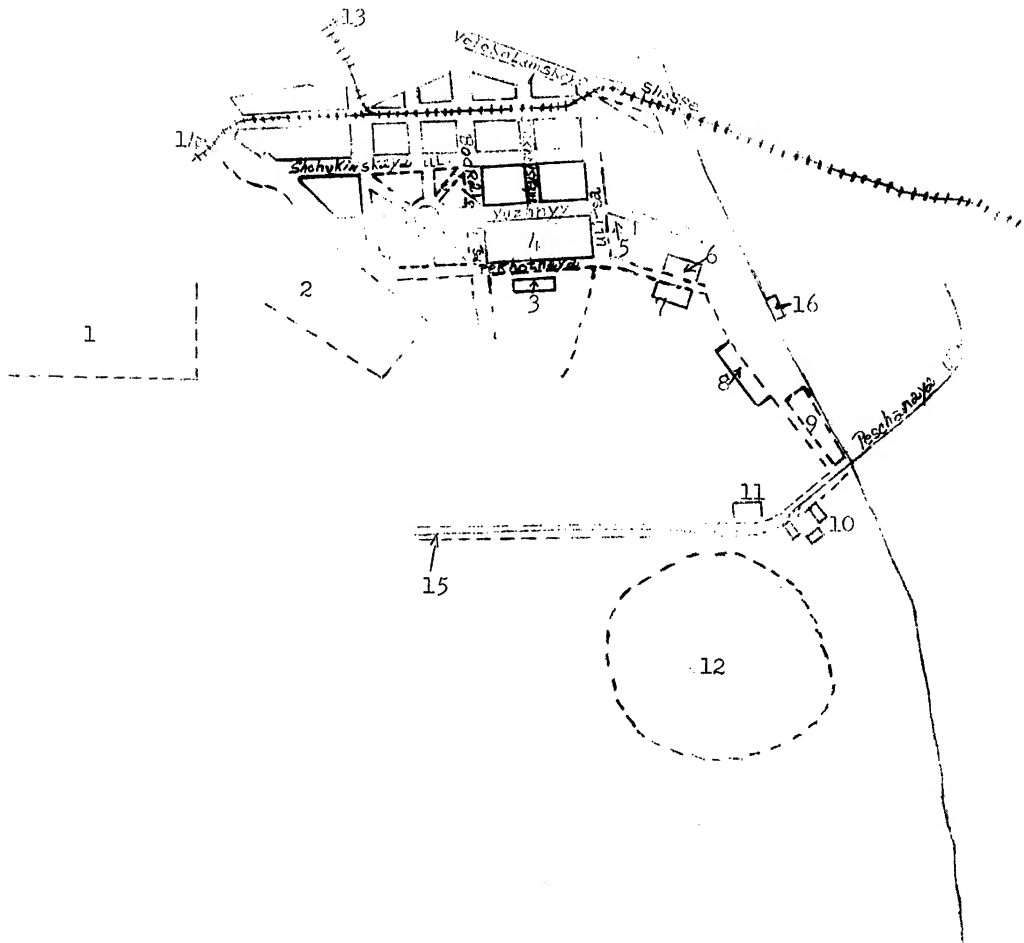
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Location Sketch of the Laboratories of the USSR Academy of Sciences

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